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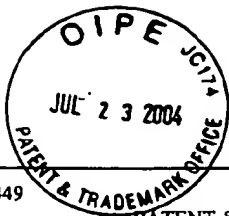
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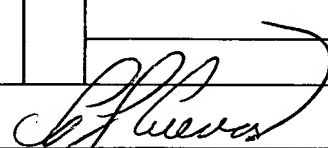


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BC	3	5,386,162	01/31/95	HORST	310	51	
BC	4	6,204,626	03/20/01	NAKAMURA	318	700	
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	3	5,109,172	4/1992	PACE	310	154.43	
	4	5,744,888	4/1998	ZAJC ET AL.	310	185	
	5	5,744,894	4/1998	CHO ET AL.	310	261	
	6	5,828,147	10/1998	BEST ET AL.	310	71	
	7	5,909,072	6/1999	MULLER	310	68B	
	8	5,939,810	8/1999	UCHIDA ET AL.	310	156.52	
	9	6,011,339	1/2000	KAWAKAMI	310	208	
	10	6,097,120	8/2000	HORNG	310	90.5	
	11	6,313,558	11/2001	ABUKAWA ET AL.	310	254	
	12	6,369,473	4/2002	BAUMEISTER ET AL.	310	71	
	13	6,400,059	6/2002	HSU	310	254	
	14	6,531,797	3/2003	EYDELIE ET AL.	310	71	
	15	10/115,910	4/2002	GAUTHIER ET AL.			
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